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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: POLYNUCLEOTIDES ENCODING  
ANTIGENIC HIV TYPE C POLYPEPTIDES,  
POLYPEPTIDES AND USES THEREOF

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Examiner: J. Pitrak

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated September 16, 2009 (Paper No./Mail Date 20090909), for which a response was due on December 16, 2009. Filed herewith is a petition and fee for a three-months extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to March 16, 2010. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.